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Applicants' response to Restriction requirement mailed from this Office on 8 July 2005 has been duly noted and made of record. In that response, received on 12 December 2005, applicants have selected Group II, Claims 13-18, drawn to a method of screening for compounds that increase bone mineral density.

This submission is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because applicant did not select a species, the nature of the assay used in the claimed methods of screening. Applicant is required to elect in vitro or in vivo as the screening method for use in the claimed method as required by the examiner.

Since the submission appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shulamith H. Shafer, Ph.D. whose telephone number is 571-272-3332. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Brenda Brumback can be reached on 571-272-0961. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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